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SUBJ: DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR AMBUSHED

REF: LOURENCO MARQUES 347

1. MOZAMBIQUE INFORMATION CENTER (CIT) ANNOUNCED MAY 29 THAT ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CONCELHO OF CHEMBA IN NORTHERN BEIRA DISTRICT AND HIS DEPUTY WERE AMBUSHED AND KILLED BY GUERRILLAS WHILE INITIATING CONSTRUCTION ON A NEW STRATEGIC HAMLET (ALDEAMENTO). A POLICE GUARD WAS SLIGHTLY INJURED.

2. THIS SECOND MAJOR INCIDENT IN CHEMBA AREA IN PAST FEW DAYS (REFTEL WHICH UNTIL RECENTLY HAD BEEN FREE OF FRELIMO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ACTIVITY THOUGH IT IS QUITE CLOSE TO MALAWI BORDER. MILITARY SPOKESMAN SURMISES TO US THAT SUDDEN SPURT OF FRELIMO ACTIVITY IN THIS AREA IS INTENDED TO HEAD OFF ALDEAMENTO PROGRAM JUST GETTING UNDER WAY THERE. IT SEEMS TRUE THAT

FRELIMO PARTICULARLY CONCERNED PREVENT SUCCESSFUL ALDEAMENTO PROGRAMS WHICH THREATEN THEIR SUPPORT BASE AMONG POPULATION, THOUGH SO FAR THERE HAVE BEEN NO REPORTS IN CHEMBA AREA, PUBLISHED OR OTHERWISE, OF USUAL ATTEMPTS TO PREVENT ALDEAMENTOS BY INTIMIDATING POPULATION (E. G. BY KILLING OR KIDNAPPING PRO- PORTUGUESE LOCAL CHIEFS). BUT SUCCESS OF FRELIMO IN PICKING OFF FOUR SECURITY POLICEMEN AND TWO TOP LOCAL ADMINISTRATORS IN A FEW DAYS SUGGESTS THAT, UNLESS UNUSUALLY LUCKY, THEY ARE ALREADY WELL ESTABLISHED AND WELL INFORMED IN REGION.
VAN OSS

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